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Action programme against men's violence against women, domestic violence and honour-based violence and oppression

24 June 2024

The Government is now presenting an action programme to prevent and combat men's violence against women, domestic violence, honour-based violence and oppression, and prostitution and human trafficking for the period 2024–2026. The programme contains over 130 initiatives and measures to be undertaken on a broad front at national, regional and local level.

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Short version: Free and safe without violence and oppression

The Government's new action programme to prevent and combat men's violence against women, domestic violence, honour-based violence and oppression, and prostitution and human trafficking, for the period 2024–2026, contatins over 130 initiatives and measures. This is a short version of the action programme.

Published 01 July 2024 · Information material from Paulina Brandberg, Ministry of Employment

Free and safe without violence and oppression

The Government is working tirelessly to prevent and combat men's violence against women, domestic violence, honour-based violence and oppression, and prostitution and human trafficking. The Government's new action programme for the period 2024–2026 helps reinforce these efforts.

Published 25 June 2024 · Article, Webcast from Paulina Brandberg, Ministry of Employment

Action programme against men's violence against women, domestic violence and honour-based violence and oppression

The Government is now presenting an action programme to prevent and combat men's violence against women, domestic violence, honour-based violence and oppression, and prostitution and human trafficking for the period 2024–2026. The programme contains over 130 initiatives and measures to be undertaken on a broad front at national, regional and local level. The efforts will also be strengthened in four special priority areas for development.

Published 24 June 2024 · Press release from Acko Ankarberg Johansson, Gunnar Strömmer, Paulina Brandberg, Ministry of Employment, Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, Ministry of Justice

Meeting of task force for Jewish life in Sweden

On Tuesday 4 June, the task force for Jewish life in Sweden held its fourth meeting, which focused on education. Invited representatives of schools, universities, other higher education institutions and liberal adult education attended the meeting.

Published 20 June 2024 · Article from Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Education and Research, Ministry of Employment, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, Ministry of Justice, Prime Minister's Office

National Statement delivered by Minister for Gender Equality and Working Life Paulina Brandberg at the 68th Session of the Commission on Status of Women

National Statement delivered by Minister for Gender Equality and Working Life Paulina Brandberg, at the 68th Session of the Commission on Status of Women, New York, 12 March 2024. Check against delivery.

Published 13 March 2024 · Speech from Paulina Brandberg, Ministry of Employment

Swedish flag raised at NATO headquarters

On Monday 11 March, Sweden's flag was raised at NATO headquarters in Brussels. Together with Prime Minister Ulf Kristersson, a number of Ministers of the Swedish Government also took part. HRH Crown Princess Victoria, Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces Micael Bydén and the leaders of the Social Democrats, Sweden Democrats and Centre Party were in attendance as well.

Published 12 March 2024 · Article from Carl-Oskar Bohlin, Ebba Busch, Johan Pehrson, Pål Jonson, Tobias Billström, Ulf Kristersson, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Climate and Enterprise, Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Employment, Prime Minister's Office

Proposal for a national reporting and follow-up system for abducted children and adults

The Swedish Gender Equality Agency has been tasked with sharing knowledge about honour-based violence and oppression in connection with stays abroad. The Government has now also tasked the Agency with analyzing and presenting proposals for a national reporting and follow-up system for cases where a child or adult has been taken abroad. This involves determining the scope of the problem and establishing an approach to systematic follow-up.

Published 12 March 2024 · Press release from Camilla Waltersson Grönvall, Paulina Brandberg, Ministry of Employment, Ministry of Health and Social Affairs

Paulina Brandberg takes part in UN session focusing on economic empowerment

On 10–16 March, Minister for Gender Equality Paulina Brandberg is taking part in the 68th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW68), also known as the UN women's commission, in New York. The theme of this year's session is combating poverty and how institutions and financing can be strengthened from a gender equality perspective. Ms Brandberg is also hosting the activities arranged by the Nordic Council of Ministers, of which Sweden is holding the Presidency in 2024. Ms Brandberg will hold two policy speeches: Sweden's policy speech and a policy speech for an LGBTI Core Group that includes Sweden.

Published 11 March 2024 · Press release from Paulina Brandberg, Ministry of Employment

Statement by the UN LGBTI Core Group by Minister for Gender Equality and Working Life Paulina Brandberg, at the 68th Session of the Commission on Status of Women

Statement by Minister for Gender Equality and Working Life Paulina Brandberg, at the 68th Session of the Commission on Status of Women, New York, 11 March 2024. Check against delivery.

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Reinforcement of late-night help line

The Government has approved SEK 3 million in additional funding for 2024 to the National Centre for Knowledge on Men's Violence Against Women at Uppsala University. The aim is to increase staffing of the help line for people subjected to violence, particularly in the evening and at night, to enable more callers to get through and receive support.

Published 11 March 2024 · Press release from Paulina Brandberg, Ministry of Employment

Time to step up efforts to combat violence and promote gender equality

Preventing and combating men's violence against women, other types of intimate partner violence, and honour-based violence and oppression is a high priority for the Government. More than SEK 600 million will be invested in gender equality in 2024 and government agencies have been assigned several new assignments. The Government is now further strengthening the work towards gender equality and presents investment in women's economic empowerment and to increase knowledge about national minorities' exposure to violence.

Published 08 March 2024 · Article, Webcast from Paulina Brandberg, Ministry of Employment

Inter-agency initiative to attract and retain international expertise

The shortage of workers with sought-after skills is one of the main obstacles to growth for companies in Sweden and has also become an obstacle to regional development. In light of this, the Government is allocating SEK 25 million in 2024 to strengthen coordination of the ongoing efforts of eleven government agencies linked to attracting and retaining international expertise.

Published 04 March 2024 · Press release from Ebba Busch, Johan Forssell, Johan Pehrson, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Climate and Enterprise, Ministry of Employment

Gender equality policy in Sweden

This material provides an overview of main areas of the Government policy on gender equality. It describes current political goals and strategies and gives a brief historical background to important reforms. It also identifies further remaining challenges and explains how the Government is addressing these and what measures are taken in order to initiate change.

Published 07 March 2019 · Updated 29 February 2024 · Information material from Ministry of Employment

Education the 2024 theme for task force for Jewish life in Sweden

The task force for Jewish life in Sweden held its third meeting on Friday 9 February, with its discussions mainly focused on the 2024 theme of education. New representatives of the National Agency for Education and the Swedish National Council of Adult Education joined this meeting. The task force will also continue to address last year's theme of security in 2024.

Published 13 February 2024 · <u>Press release</u> from <u>Jakob Forssmed</u>, <u>Lotta Edholm</u>, <u>Parisa Liljestrand</u>, <u>Ministry of Culture</u>, <u>Ministry of Education and Research</u>, <u>Ministry of Employment</u>, <u>Ministry of Finance</u>, <u>Ministry of Health and Social Affairs</u>, <u>Ministry of Justice</u>, <u>Prime Minister's Office</u>

Government invests SEK 600 million to combat intimate partner and honour-based violence

Preventing and combating men's violence against women and honour-based violence and oppression is a highly prioritised issue in action for gender equality. Through its gender equality policy, the Government is investing over SEK 600 million in this area in 2024. The appropriation directions given to several government agencies have given them important mandates to strengthen these efforts, which require long-term sustainability and persistence.

Published 07 February 2024 · Article from Paulina Brandberg, Ministry of Employment

Key acts and ordinances entering into force in late 2023/early 2024

This compilation contains a selection of the acts and ordinances - both new and amended - that enter into force in the second half of 2023 or in early 2024.

Published 22 January 2024 · Information material from Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Climate and Enterprise, Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Education and Research, Ministry of Employment, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Rural Affairs and Infrastructure, Prime Minister's Office

New centres for preventing work-related crime

The Government prioritises efforts to combat work-related crime, which in its most serious forms can involve human trafficking and human exploitation and is often a source of income for the criminal economy. Several regional centres for preventing work-related crime have opened in Sweden in late 2023. Minister for Gender Equality and Working Life and Deputy Minister for Employment Paulina Brandberg attended the opening of the Stockholm centre in mid-November.

Published 18 December 2023 · Article from Paulina Brandberg, Ministry of Employment

"Two-state solution only path to sustainable peace"

Opinion piece of 5 December 2023 by Prime Minister Ulf Kristersson, Minister for Energy, Business and Industry Ebba Busch, Minister for Employment and Integration Johan Pehrson and Minister for Foreign Affairs Tobias Billström.

Published 10 December 2023 · Opinion piece from Ebba Busch, Johan Pehrson, Tobias Billström, Ulf Kristersson, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Climate and Enterprise, Ministry of Employment, Prime Minister's Office

Meeting of task force for Jewish life in Sweden

On Tuesday 14 November, the task force for Jewish life in Sweden held its second meeting. The task force works to improve the conditions for Jewish life, and prevent and combat antisemitism in Sweden.

Published 22 November 2023 · Press release from Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Education and Research, Ministry of Employment, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, Ministry of Justice, Prime Minister's Office

Government budget initiatives to combat antisemitism and support Jewish life

Combatting antisemitism is a high priority for the Government. The budget presented on 20 September includes several initiatives to enhance and shore up these continued efforts. This includes funding to the Jewish Museum, the Living History Forum and the Official Council of Swedish Jewish Communities, and state aid for security-heightening measures.

Published 15 November 2023 · <u>Article</u> from <u>Ministry of Culture</u>, <u>Ministry of Employment</u>, <u>Ministry of Finance</u>, <u>Ministry of Health and Social Affairs</u>, <u>Prime Minister's Office</u>

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